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CONFIRMATION

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Attention: Ms. Dee Shannonhouse

Dear Dee,

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PM 1321 Foreign Applications
Australia, China, Ireland etc.
Our File: 30590

Thank you for your letter of 9th March 1990 enclosing further papers from the U.S. Patent Office files.

While it is possible that these papers, and particularly the "Decision on Petition under 37 CFR 1.48(a)", may be sufficient to deal with queries from some countries, it seems likely that other countries will need some kind of official certificate. I am doubtful about the efficacy in such countries of a certified copy of the Decision, because this document does not set out with any clarity what the nature of the correction is.

Will any recognisable certificate be issued or be available following this correction? If so, then a certified copy of such a certificate would seem to be appropriate for many countries. Alternatively, will a fresh certified copy of the original application now show all the inventors or can it be made to do so by special request? This seems to be what the Chinese would like.

In those countries where a completely fresh certified copy or "priority document" is not required, and if no explicit certificate is available, then it should be possible to get by with an officially certified copy of the decision accompanied by such additional papers as are necessary to identify the petition granted, notably a copy of the Petition itself.

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Since it may be more convenient for these questions to be answered by Fish & Neave, I am sending a copy of this letter to Robert M. Isackson. I must apologise to you and to him for copying a previous letter to Jeff Ingerman, by lapse of memory.

Best regards

Yours sincerely,

J. H. Bass

c.c. Robert M. Isackson (Fish & Neave) ✓

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